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In Reply Refer to:
EPA File No: 3R-00-R4

— Reverend Louis Coleman
Justice Resource Center
1600 Envoy Circle, Suite 1614
Louisville, Kentucky 40229

Re: Letter of Rejection

Dear Reverend Coleman:

On June 6, 2000, you filed an administrative complaint with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Civil Rights (OCR). The complaint alleges violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d *et seq.*, and EPA's regulations implementing Title VI found at 40 C.F.R. Part 7 by both the Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District and the Kentucky Natural Resources Cabinet. The allegations in the complaint concern the Morris Foreman Wastewater Treatment Plant.

— By certified mail dated March 30, 2001, and received by the Justice Resource Center on April 30, 2001, OCR rejected the complaint against KNRC and requested additional information about the two allegations against the Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District to determine whether to accept them for investigation. OCR requested that such information be submitted within 45 days of your receipt of the clarification letter. To date, OCR has not received the information it requested and more than 45 days have passed since the request was received. Therefore, your complaint is rejected for investigation and OCR has now closed the file.

If you have any questions, please contact Eva Hahn by phone at (202) 564-8186, by e-mail at hahn.eva@epa.gov, or by mail to the U.S. EPA (Mail Code 2201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely,



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